

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

AM-2-2

46 5006

Document No. 48
NO CHANGE in Class.
 DECLASSIFIED
Class. CHANGED TO: TS S (C)
Auth: DDA Memo, 4 Apr 77
Auth: DDA REG. 77/1765
Date: 030278 By: 029

(1)

ADR - 5 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT: Proposal for the Organization of an Action Operations Unit

1. The attached proposal concerns itself with the problem of maintaining within the Agency the specialized personnel and skills required to carry out certain action aspects of covert operations, 25X1C

others to be determined. It appears to be generally agreed that unless some steps are taken to preserve these personnel assets, they will be rapidly dissipated to the point where the action capability of the Glandestine Services in peace or in wartime will virtually disappear.

2. The specialized personnel assets concerned are:

a. Experienced DD/P personnel now home from the field, or shortly to return, who have been active in the types of operations noted above, and for whom no appropriate position using such skills exists within the DD/P Headquarters structure.

b. OTR specialist instructors in action subjects (mostly assigned [redacted] whose courses have been frequently cancelled over the past few years for lack of DD/P students.

3. The proposal attempts to provide a simple, economical solution for achieving the following ends of common interest to DD/P and the Office of Training:

a. Providing an intensive training and self-training unit for both categories of personnel noted above, thus maintaining and increasing the expertise available to DD/P for action operations.

b. Developing and maintaining a corps of highly trained action specialists to staff such task force operations as may be required in peacetime.

~~SECRET~~

CONFIDENTIAL

25X1C

25X1A6a

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

e. Providing a highly competent cadre of specialized action instructors and operations personnel for substantial expansion upon the outbreak of war.

25X1A9a

4. The attached proposal, which has resulted from discussions between [redacted], has my approval for those portions concerned with the participation of the Office of Training in the proposed action operations unit. I am forwarding the proposal for your consideration and for further action within DD/P.

MATTHEW BAIRD
Director of Training

Attachment

CONCURRENCES:

13/	[redacted]	<u>6 Apr 55</u> Date
13/	[redacted]	<u>6 Apr 55</u> Date
13/	[redacted]	<u>6 Apr 55</u> Date
13/	[redacted]	<u>8 Apr 55</u> Date

FOIAb3b

25X1A

[redacted]

copy of this
E/O S
8/23/55

~~SECRET~~